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AFGHANISTAN Kabul, 15365, finally audible during EG px at 1130-1200 on this NF. Noted 5 Sept at 1145 tune in w/ high-pitched W anncr talking about relations w/ neighboring countries; nx ended at 1150. Mixture of western and native mx till 1158, then several IDs and into UnID lang. (Hauser, TN)

ANTIGUA BBC, 11775, new channel for WS, heard as sked on 5 Sept from 1255-1300. (Hauser, TN)

ARGENTINA R. El Mundo, 6120, in SP at 0735 w/ ID. tc, calls, freq list, and MoR mx (Jones, Miss.)+++ also noted almost daily on 15290 from 0200-0330 w/ SP talks and easy-listening mx. Poor to fair sigs. (Cress, Va.)

AUSTRALIA ABC has an interesting arts program called "Broadband" and every Monday at 1232-1247 a rambling film interviewer named John Hind (???) appears from Sidney. Check ABC Perth, 9610, for this. (Hauser, TN) +++ RA repeatedly noted at *0400 on 15205 // 15160 and 15320, all in EG. RA's NAM and Pacific Ser. noted at 1220 on 9670 into JP at 1300. RA also noted at 17870, poor level, // better 17795. (Holmes, CO) +++ RA's weekly px of nx, mx and messages for the Antarctic has returned on 15290 at 0300 Saturday. W anncr, lots of letter, light chat-ter, and pop mx. Poor sig compared to other RA outlets. (Cress, VA; Hauser, TN; your ed.)

*** I always feel like an eavesdropper when I listen to the Antarctic Service--tba

BELGIUM Brussels listing 6065 NF for 0015 bcst to NAM. Also announcing 9680 beamed to SAM in EG, a first for them. 9680 is heavily jammed, however. (Hauser, TN)

BOTSWANA Gaborones, 4845, noted 0415-0440 in Setswana w/ politically oriented talks by M. Fair to good. (your ed.)

BRAZIL RNB is back in its new guise as a domestic service for Amazonia. First noted during the last wk of Aug on 11780 from 0045 tune in to 0101* w/ IS; the next day noted from 2115 tune in w/ program of Brazillian mx, IS and PT annmnt at 2138 that beginning 1 Sept the new Amazon Service would begin. Carried "A Voz do Brazil" from 2200-2300. During this test period, noted as late as 0308*. (Walcutt, IL; Hauser, TN; your ed.) *** Dave Walcutt, LR-D ed, called me shortly after he first heard this to break this fine scoop. Thanks, Dave.--tba. +++ R. Guaiba, 5965, in PT at 0924 w/ ID, tc, and Brazillian pop mx. Fair to good (Jones, Miss.) +++ R. Capixaba, 4935 w/ accordian mx, overmodulated semi-echo audio, and slow choral mx, 2315-0000; solid ID, 2359. DEEP down in the mush. (Perdue, Ala.)

CHILE R. Colo Colo, 14530, at 0240 w/ LA mx, calls to Argentinian listeners, on RC SSB. Good sig, but gone by 0300. (Hauser, TN)

CHINA (PR) RP, 15435, on its token in-band channel to NAM at 0100 //17679, 15060. (Hauser, TN). *** don't forget that the basic Chinese by radio course has resumed and can be heard Mondays in North America. There is a free text, but RPs poor audio makes listening nearly impossible.--tba

COLOMBIA R. Guatapuri, 4815, in SP at 1004, IDing as "somos profesionales, somos Radio Guatapuri . . ." (Jones, Miss.; Perdue, Ala.) +++ LV de Cinaruco, 4865 in SP at 1002; IDs as "Escuchan La Voz del Cinaruco, Emisora Caracol . . ." followed by LA mx. Fair. (Jones, Miss.)

+++ Ecos del Atrato, 5020, SP at 0304, fair level w/ typical LA mx program. (Jones, Miss.)

+++ R. Super de Cali, 8055 NF, at 0725 in SP w/ typical LA pop mx. (Jones, Miss.)***formerly on 6120. ---tba +++ R. Colosal, 4945, in SP at 0802 w/ nx sponsored by "Alka-Seltzer-r-r-r." (Jones, Miss.)

COSTA RICA Faro del Caribe, 6175, noted at *1055 in SP w/ anthem, mandolin mx, ID as "Esta es TIFC, Faro del Caribe . . ." then freq list, address and phone number. Good level. (Jones, Miss.)

ECUADOR LV de las Caras, 4795, in SP just prior to 0402* w/ annmnts by M, ID, short march, and off. (Perdue, Ala.) +++ R. Rio Amazonas, 4870, in SP at 0326* w/ religious songs and talks; anthem and carrier immediately off. Good to excellent. (Jones, Miss.; Perdue, Ala.) +++ Em. Gran Colombia, 4910, at 0302 in SP w/ "Mr. Sandman" theme, ID plugs for Radio Cadenas Nacional, and ads. (Jones, Miss.; Perdue, Ala.)

FINLAND Contributor of the RFinland in its Sunday Best item last issue was Robert Batson, here in Kansas City.

FRANCE RFI Paris Calling Africa, 15200, in EG at 1627 during 1605-1655 px. Also noted on

FRANCE cont'd--- 15155, 15300, 15315, 17720, 17850, 17860, all good. Said that there are letterbox px on Thursdays and Sundays; also have a musical request px, "Your Choice," at 1647 Saturday. Expected to revert to 1705 on 25 September and change some freqs, because France returns to DST. (Hauser, TN).

GUAM KTWR, Agana, noted on 9640 on first day of transmission (4 Sept) from 1120 w/ religious mx, frequent IDs, and offers of special first day QSL. Also noted at 1110* 5 September on 9575. ID: "This is the newest voice on your shortwave radio, KTWR, Agana, Guam." Address is KTWR, Trans World Radio, Box 66, Agana, Guam. (Berg. Mass.) *** Nice catch, Jerry. Let us know when the QSL comes in.---tba

IRAN VoI (NIRT) noted daily since 21 Aug on 15084 in EG. W anncr w/ nx and commentary, and breaks for interesting Iranian mx. Near 2020, M anncr gives frq as 9022 w/ no mention of 15084. At 2030 resumes Persian for Iranian Residents abroad px. Usually good sig. The EG px reuns from 2000-2030. (Cress, VA; Hauser, TN).***Hadley reports that nothing is audible on 9022, despite anncrs assertions to the contrary. --tba

JAPAN RJapan, 15270, noted 0040-0045 w/ Asian nx in EG. Good level. (Holmes, CO)

KOREA NORTH Korean Central Broadcasting Station (their ID), 9977, has retimed most EG bcasts. Easiest in NAM is from 1100-1250, noted at 1130 w/ everything you wanted to know about Kim Il-Sung but were afraid to ask. Good level. Also heard at 1249* // 11535, while 9420 went into SP. (Hauser, TN) *** you revisionist you . . .hi. TBA

NETHERLANDS RN feeder service (???) noted at 1645 on 17826a w/ "World Day by Day" and short cuts for receiving stns to use in their nx bcasts. Very similar to the familiar AFRTS feeds. S/off is between 1650 and 1652. (Holmes, CO) Was this SSB, George??? ***Glenn Hauser informs that the on-air feeder service will shortly be discontinued in favor of satellite relays, so get this while you can. Wonder if they'll QSL this.---tba

NEW CALEDONIA Noumea, 11710, in FR at 0438-0501 w/ DJ-type px; fair to good. Not sked at this time per WRTH. (Holmes, CO). ***Noted here in Kansas City 0415-0515 in FR w/ FR 3 px and occasional IDs; level is often very good. (your ed.)

NEW ZEALAND RNZ, 15130, often noted here as early as 0100 w/ usual px. Level variable but usually good after 0200. (your ed.)

NIGERIA TENTATIVE Benin, 4932, tentatively from 0515-0530 in EG and UnID native lang w/ ads by W and pop mx. Format appears similar to Springbok R. (Perdue, Ala.)

PERU R. Tawantinsuyo TENTATIVELY noted at 1029 on 6175 in SP w/ long string of ads, and strong though distorted peak at that time. W w/ IDs calls and freqs. Then folklorico mx to fade out. Fair level. (Jones, Miss.) ***Jack says he's 90% sure about this fine catch.---tba. +++ R. Chinchaycocha, 4860, in SP at 0756 w/ ID, tc, and folklorico mx. (Jones, Miss; Perdue, Ala.) +++ R. Victoria, 6120, in SP at 1055 w/ Beethoven theme, greetings to listeners and possible short thought for the day spot. (Jones, Miss.) +++ R. Panamericana, 5980, at 0658* in SP w/ annmnt as "Musica Peruana"; then s/off w/ brief ID. Fair to good. (Jones, Miss.)

PHILIPPINES VOA, 15290, w/ pop mx, tc and ID from 2300-0030 w/ EG nx at 0000. Poor sigs w/ flutter and hum. (Cress, VA) *** Some time ago, this was a Tinang freq if my memory is correct. Hadley, inspired by Victor Jaar's report in the Mid-Aug DXH, spent the month in a grail quest for stns on 15290. Nice digging, Hadley. ---tba

RSFSR (ASIA) Timesig RID, Irkutsk, at 1520 alternating between one second pips, rapid pips and key down operation on 15000+. Several CW IDs noted. Nominal freq is 15004. (Perdue, Ala.) *** a "pip", Neal. tba

SPY NUMBERS Unusual spy stn on 9327, noted at 0307-0315* on SSB w/ W giving "Group 62" message of five digit ciphers split 3/2, e.g. "647-54". Gave each group twice; sounded live rather than machine generated. "End of information" at 0315. (Hauser, TN).

SRI LANKA SLBC, 15425, in EG w/ six pip timesig, giving time as 8 am. SIO 222. By 0300 Mayak co-channel on top; SLBC usually covered by RM much earlier. (Hauser, TN)

SWEDEN Svergies Radio Utlandsprogramet, SSB service, on 21590 at 1408, 5 Sept. (Hauser, TN)

TURKEY VoT now using 7175 // 9515 for 2200-0030 bcst to NAM. Heavily QRM'd by Moscow already here. (Hauser, TN)

VENEZUELA Ecos del Torbes, 6190, in SP at *1011 w/ ID "Transmite Ecos del Torbes en San Cristobal, patria del Libertador . . ."; also gave call letters for MW, 60m and 31m outlets. 49m not mentioned. (Jones, Miss.) +++ R. Agnostura, 6120, in SP at 1010 w/ ID, and ads and talks. Bad het, probably from R. El Mundo. (Jones, Miss.)

FROM THE EDITOR: thank you all for the wealth of material submitted this month, the many compliments for Mid-August DXH, and most of all for your continued support and good wishes. For the first time this issue, I had to do some editing. In order to be as fair as possible I try to edit old materials first, and only then will I cut other material. Generally, if your logs have appeared elsewhere--e.g. the RCI Sunday DX Digest--they are more likely to be edited out here, if necessary. I will try to be as judicious as possible, but it's tough. If you submit a large number of loggings, it would be a good idea to star or otherwise note the ones you feel are the cream of the crop. This way I won't inadvertently excise your best material. Tnx again to all.

435- Tom